GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

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MRP ON IMPORTED PRODUCTS
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the imported consumer items being sold in the country do not bear Maximum Retail Price (MRP) on them;

(b) if so, the existing provisions in this regard;

(c) the reaction of the Government on non-compliance of these provisions; and

(d) the number of persons against whom action has been taken for violation of the said provisions alongwith the nature of action?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI TASLIMUDDIN)

(a) & (b): As per Rule 33 of the Standards of Weights and Measures (Packaged Commodities) Rules, 1977, all pre-packed commodities imported into India shall carry a declaration of the retail sale price as prescribed under clause (r) of Rule 2 of these Rules. There have been some reports of violations.

(c) : Enforcement authorities of the States/UT Governments have been advised from time to time to strictly enforce the provisions of the Rules.

(d) : As per information available from 10 States , 1446 cases of violation have been detected during 2005-06. The cases were compounded on payment of fine or filed before the competent court.